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1. AHMENT KAHRANMAN IN POLITIKA (SMALL-LEFTIST) SAT 8 JAN, IN COLUMN CRITICIZING JUSTICE PARTY (PRIMIN DEMIREL'S PARTY) PROPAGANDA EFFORTS, MENTIONS GOT PLANS TO SEND UNOFFICIAL DELEGATION TO LOBBY IN U.S., AND COMMENTS:
"IN ANY CASE, JUSTICE PARTY IS NOT RPT NOT UNKNOWN THING FOR CARTER. ESPECIALLY, CYRUS VANCE, ONE OF CARTER'S KEY MEN, IS ONE OF THOSE WHO KNOWS JUSTICE PARTY BEST."
KAHRAMAN STATES VANCE'S 1967 MEDIATION EFFORTS PREVENTED TURKISH INTERVENTION ON CYPRUS, COMMENTS: "GREECE WAS AS PLEASED AS PRESIDENT JOHNSON BY THESE SERVICES OF VANCE. ACCORDING TO EUROPEAN PRESS, VANCE, WHO AT THAT TIME WAS LAWYER IN NEW YORK, WAS PAID 100,000 DOLLARS FOR HIS EFFORTS."

2. COMMENT: WHILE SMALL IN CIRCULATION, POLITIKA HAS SOME INFLUENCE BECAUSE IT IS IN PART OWNED BY LEFTIST LABOR UNION CONFEDERATION DISK AND BACAUSE ITS EDITOR, ISMAIL CEM (IPEKCI), WAS CHIEF OF TURKISH RADIO-TELEVISION (TRT) LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DURING PRIME MINISTERSHIP OF DEMIREL'S PREDCESSOR, BULENT ECEVIT. THIS IS FIRST CRITICISM OF VANCE WE HAVE NOTED SINCE HE WAS NAMED SECRETARY OF STATE-DESIGNATE. WE PRESUME VANCE RECEIVED ONLY TRAVEL AND PER DIEM EXPENSES DURING HIS 1967 MEDIATION EFFORTS, BUT IN CASE THIS CANARD RECEIVES WIDER CIRCULATION, WE WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION.

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